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**Notice of Price Increase for Municipal Solid Waste (MSW), Construction Debris (C&D), and Recycling (REC) Hauling Rates for The Town Of Thornton.**

Dear Selectboard Members:

This letter is to advise you that **effective May 1st, 2023** contracted rates will increase as shown in the Table below. Casella would like to continue to work with the town for the next three years. Unfortunately, the recent global economic crisis has created a massive disruption, increasing the costs of resource management. These cost increases have been significant. For example,

- Labor Shortages and increasing costs
- Equipment, supply chain increases
- Increased tax assessments
- Development of Emerging contaminants PFAS treatment

Old Rates		New Rates	
Single Box	Tandem	Single Box	Tandem
\$506.99	\$342.69	\$653.99	\$479.69

We know this is a difficult time economically for everyone. Although it is never easy to make tough decisions about what we must charge for our waste and recycling services, we believe this increase is an important part of the investment in the way we must manage our resources now and, in the future, – safely, responsibly, and with an eye on resource recovery and conservation.

As a valued partner we wanted to provide ample time for the town to prepare for the increase. We are willing to have discussions with the town to work on service alternatives. We will draft new hauling agreements for your review and to ensure service levels, insurance and security in future increase. If you have any questions about this change, or about the service we provide to you, please do not hesitate to contact us. We look forward to continuing our relationship.

Sincerely,

**Amber Vecchiarelli**  
Territory Sales Representative  
Casella Waste Systems, Inc.